

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State collegiate athletic programs that truly embody the highest standards of teamwork, sportsmanship, training, and perseverance throughout the competitive season; and

Whereas, North Central Missouri College in Trenton, Missouri, sponsored a girls basketball team that finished Sixth at the NJCAA Division II National Tournament that was held in Phoenix, Arizona, during March 2007; and

Whereas, the Lady Pirates had a 29-4 win-loss record and a sixth-place ranking in the national poll going into the NJCAA Division II National Tournament, which earned the team a fourth seed and a bye in the first round; and

Whereas, making their way to the National Tournament for just the second time in school history, the Lady Pirates used the 2006-2007 season to establish a number of firsts, including the most regular season wins ever with 26, the most overall wins with 30, and the most playoff wins with 4; and

Whereas, additional highlights for the Lady Pirates at the National Competition was the naming of sophomore Amber Jordan as a member of the honorary All-Tournament Team and for the Pirates receiving the first-ever unanimous Sportsmanship Award; and

Whereas, other sophomores on the North Central Missouri College team who have gone 55-14 in their school careers include Tiara Johnson, who had a triple-double in National Tournament play; Amber Vandevender; Megan Doty; Brittany Parker; Candace Schatz; and Kristen Buhrmeister; and

Whereas, this year's freshmen who will return next year include Jillian Palan, Taurren Ireland, Mandy Monkman, and Whitney Hanes:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the Sixth Place finish by the North Central Missouri College Lady Pirates basketball team in the NJCAA Division II National Tournament in March 2007 and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal, academic, and athletic success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the 2006-2007 North Central Missouri College girls basketball team.

Offered by _____
Representative Jim Whorton
District No. 3

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker